

REMARKS

Claims 1, 5-12 and 15-24 are now pending in the application, with claims 1, 10, 11 and 20 being the independent claims. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Initially, Applicants' attorney thanks the Examiner for the telephonic interview conducted on January 14, 2005. During that interview, the general substance of the above claim changes was discussed and the Examiner indicated that such claim changes would cause the entire case to be allowable over the currently applied art. The above claim changes are summarized as follows.

Independent claims 1 and 11 have been amended above to clarify that at least some of the chunk files are transmitted on one or more physical storage media. Such physical storage media might be, for example, CDs, DVDs, semiconductor-based memory and/or magnetic storage media.

In addition, each of the remaining independent claims has been amended above to more clearly define the nature of the recited "programming content". This additional clarification finds support, e.g., at page 1 lines 12-15 of the present Specification.

Also, former independent claims 7, 8, 17 and 18 have been rewritten back into dependent form, to depend from the independent claims from which they originally depended.

Finally, limitations pertaining to message digests were determined to be non-essential to the broadest statement of the present invention. Accordingly, such limitations were moved from independent claims 1, 10, 11 and 20 into new dependent claims 21-24, respectively.

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, withdrawal of the current prior-art projections is respectfully requested.

Lastly, in the current Office Action, objection was made to the drawings for failing to show the feature, as recited in claims pending and 20, of a manifest file including plural sets of information, each set describing how to assemble chunks of data in a different predetermined manner. In response, Applicants are submitting herewith a new drawing sheet containing a new Figure 2C. This new figure depicts the subject claim feature without adding any new matter. Accordingly, withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

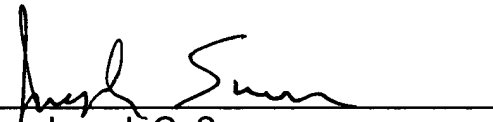
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IN THE DRAWINGS

Please add the attached new drawing sheet containing new Figure 2C.